1997 LAWS OF MARYLAND

- (III) OTHER MEANS AS DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY.
- (2) IF AN EMPLOYING UNIT TRANSMITS A REPORT CHOOSES TO TRANSMIT DATA MAGNETICALLY OR ELECTRONICALLY, THE EMPLOYING UNIT MAY SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT:
 - (I) TWICE A MONTH; AND
 - (H) NOT LESS THAN 12 DAYS OR MORE THAN 16 DAYS APART.
- (2) IF AN EMPLOYING UNIT CHOOSES TO TRANSMIT DATA MAGNETICALLY OR ELECTRONICALLY AT A RATE OF TWICE PER MONTH, THEN THE REPORT MUST BE SUBMITTED NOT LESS THAN 12 DAYS OR MORE THAN 16 DAYS APART.
- (3) (I) AN EMPLOYING UNIT THAT HAS EMPLOYEES IN TWO OR MORE STATES AND THAT TRANSMITS REPORTS MAGNETICALLY OR ELECTRONICALLY MAY DESIGNATE ONE STATE IN WHICH TO TRANSMIT THE REPORT.
- (II) AN EMPLOYING UNIT THAT CHOOSES TO TRANSMIT THE DATA TO ANOTHER STATE SHALL PROVIDE THE SECRETARY WITH THE NAME OF THE STATE RECEIVING THE REPORT.
 - $\{f(d)\}$ (1) Any employing unit that fails to report as required:
 - (i) shall be given a written warning for the first violation; and
- (ii) shall be subject to a civil penalty of [\$200 per month] \$20 for each month in which a subsequent violation occurs, OR \$500 IF THE FAILURE IS THE RESULT OF A CONSPIRACY BETWEEN THE EMPLOYER AND THE EMPLOYEE TO NOT SUPPLY THE REQUIRED REPORT OR TO SUPPLY A FALSE OR INCOMPLETE REPORT, unless the Secretary waives the penalty for cause.
- (2) All violations occurring in a single month to the same employing unit shall be considered a single violation.
- f(e)f(G) An assessment under this section is final unless, within 15 days after the mailing of the assessment, an employing unit applies to the Secretary for a hearing. The Secretary may forward the application to the Office of Administrative Hearings for adjudication.
- $\{f(f)\}$ (H) The Department of Human Resources shall reimburse the Secretary for all costs incurred to carry out this section.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Family Law

10-108.

- (a) The Administration shall:
 - (1) coordinate a statewide program for support enforcement;